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**REMARKS**

By the present Preliminary Amendment, various revisions have been made in the specification and the original claims have been replaced with new claims 26-50. The revisions avoid repetitious identification of certain groups or provide the correct structure for others (see page 41 which provides the bridging oxygen atoms consistent with all the other groups on the page), provide the appropriate descriptions of the material (e.g., see the revisions on pages 57-59), provide the appropriate identification of certain groups set forth in formulas (e.g., see the revisions with respect to formula (7)) and provide the claims in a format that is more in line with U.S. practice (such as by removing internal periods). In this respect, the new claims generally track the original claims with additional revisions being made thereto. Thus, for instance, new claim 26 does not include the recitation of molecular weight at the end thereof.

Favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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